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Invention: IMAGING DEVICE, AUTOMATIC FOCUSING METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM ON WHICH A PROGRAM IS RECORDED

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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-5, 8-12 15-29 and 21-23, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.